May 2017 Calendar of Events

NOTE: Programming is subject to change. Please check www.history.navy.mil/nmusn for the latest updates.

The (Modern) Art of War

May 4, 12 p.m.-1 p.m.

Cold War Gallery, Bldg. 70

Author Sally Pemberton recounts the gripping narrative of the first wave of modern artists to arise during WWII. Attempting to bring humanity to a Japanese internment camp, painting U.S. Navy submarines in action, depicting acts of enemy torture, joining the French *Résistance*, and helping fellow artists flee the Nazis are just some of the stories. Pemberton became fascinated by artists' involvement in, and response to, the war after writing her award-winning book, *Portrait of Murdock Pemberton: The New Yorker's First Art Critic*. She also recounts the story of a long lost relative and naval hero Captain Victor Delano.

Artifact Spotlight

May 9 and 23, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Front of Fighting Top

Our collections team will present some of the exciting artifacts from the vaults of the museum, seldom seen by the public. Join us to hear their stories about rare and unique naval artifacts!

Gold Star Awareness Proclamation Signing

May 11, 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Front of Fighting Top

Rear Adm. Charles Rock, Commandant, Naval District Washington, will sign the Gold Star Awareness Proclamation at the National Museum of the United States Navy. Navy Gold Star is the Navy's official program for providing long-term support to surviving families and sailors who pass while on active duty.

Full STEAM Ahead: Home School Science

May 11 and 24, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Museum Education Center

Home school students and families are invited to a day of hands-on-science on the topic of magnets! In this activity, we will explore the power of magnets and how the U.S. Navy has used magnets to create weapons and new technologies. Note: Please try to arrive at the top of an hour; families may arrive anytime between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Please allow at least one hour to complete projects.

Washington Navy Yard Walking Tour

May 15, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

This new walking tour offers an exciting opportunity to explore the historic Washington Navy Yard. Learn about the cannons of Willard Park, visit the original Marine Watchbox, hear the true story behind U.S. Army Colonel Ulric Dahlgren's leg, and more. Registration is required. For more information and to register, contact thomas.frezza@navy.mil.

Battleship North Carolina

May 26-28, 2017

1 Battleship Road, Wilmington, NC 28401

The National Museum of the United States Navy is hitting the road! Museum educators will give talks on the historic USS *North Carolina* and offer children's programs, military demonstrations, and more.



Battle of Jutland War Game

May 31, 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Behind the Fighting Top

The Battle of Jutland, fought on May 31-June 1, 1916, was the only major surface action between the battleships and battle cruisers of the British Royal Navy's Grand Fleet and the Imperial German Navy's High Seas Fleet. The battle ended in a German tactical victory, but resulted in British strategic triumph. Can you repeat the German victory, or win the day for Britain? Using simple rules (involving a lot of dice rolling) players will have the chance to refight the naval battle endlessly studied and replayed in a similar fashion by U.S., British, and Japanese navies of the Interwar years. Contact edward.furgol@navy.mil to make reservations to play.

Last Wine Mess Commemoration

May 31, 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Washington Navy Yard, Mordecai Booth's Public House

At one point in the Navy's history, the only alcohol allowed aboard ships was for the Officers Wine Mess. However, in 1913, Josephus Daniels was appointed Secretary of the Navy by President Woodrow Wilson. On June 1, 1914, Secretary Daniels issued General Order 99 prohibiting all alcohol, including the Wine Mess, aboard all naval vessels. To commemorate this loss, join the National Museum of the United States Navy at Mordecai Booth's Public House for an evening of history and wine.